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1. The Yugoslav 30 Rifle Division (formerly the 14 Slovenska Division)<sup>1</sup> is reported to have officially changed its denomination to the 14 Proletarian Division, on 11 November 1951. The occasion was observed with a solemn ceremony which was attended by many Yugoslav civilian and military officials, prominent among whom were the following:
  - a. The Commander of the Military District of Zagreb;<sup>2</sup> and
  - b. Boris Kraiger, Minister of the Interior of the People's Republic of Slovenia.
2. The 3 Naval Brigade is purported to have also changed its denomination on 11 November 1951, to the 14 Proletarian Brigade.<sup>3</sup>

1. [ ] Comment: [ ] identified the 30 Infantry Division as the 14 Slovene Assault Division stationed at Varazdin; [ ] reported the 30 Infantry Division, under the command of General Petrovic, to have headquarters at Varazdin. [ ] confirmed the report that the 14 Slovene Assault Division of the 2 Army had its headquarters at Varazdin. [ ] the 14 Division at Varazdin is a component of the Zagreb Corps.

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2. Comment: [redacted] the Zagreb Military District, denominated the 5 Military District, is under the command of General Milan Kupresanin.

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3. Comment: This appears to have some connection with information of 5 November 1951, to the effect that, an order of the Yugoslav Minister of Defense, published in Narodna Armija, a division and two rifle regiments had been proclaimed Proletarian Division and Proletarian Brigades, respectively.

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Field fortification projects are reportedly in progress along the right banks of the Danube and Sava Rivers, between Kostolac, Smederevo, Grocka, Belgrade, Ostruznica and Skela. The following defenses were allegedly observed in the stated area:

- a. Three antiaircraft batteries of unspecified caliber, situated approximately two and one-half kilometers south of Kostolac;
- b. Two or three field artillery batteries, located along the Kostolac-Dubravica highway, approximately midway between the two points;
- c. Two field artillery batteries, approximately three kilometers south-southwest of Smederevo;
- d. An unspecified number of field artillery batteries, situated on the Belgrade-Grocka highway, approximately three kilometers east of Boles;
- e. Three antiaircraft artillery batteries, located on the Boles-Belgrade highway, approximately midway between the two points;
- f. Two field artillery batteries, situated south of the Belgrade-Ostruznica highway, approximately two kilometers from Ostruznica;
- g. An unspecified number of field artillery batteries, situated along the Belgrade-Ostruznica highway, approximately five kilometers beyond Umka; and
- h. An unspecified number of field artillery batteries, located in the bend of the Sava River, south of Progar.

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**SUBJECT** 1. Miscellaneous Military Units on  
Yugoslav Islands  
2. Zadar Naval Shipyard

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1. The headquarters of the Naval Command in Zadar<sup>1</sup> is reported to be in a two-story building in the vicinity of the Banca Nazionale. The highest ranking officer attached to the headquarters is an unidentified first lieutenant. Four or five PT boats and a small two-engine vessel used to transport rations and various unspecified materials to the islands in the Zadar area, are reportedly observed frequently in the port of Zadar.

2. A marine infantry unit, composed almost entirely of recruits and allegedly the strength of a battalion, is reported to be billeted in a compound on the northwest end of Uljan (Ugljan) Island,<sup>2</sup> near the Sveti Kuzmana Church. The purpose of this unit is reportedly to train recruits.

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Zadar Naval Shipyard

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4. The Zadar Naval Shipyard is reported to be under the direct control and jurisdiction of the General Directorate of Shipyards in the North Adriatic, Rijeka, responsible to the Central Directorate of Naval Construction, within the Ministry of National Defense, Belgrade. A Military Commission composed of an unspecified number of first lieutenants and other higher-ranking Navy officers, is purportedly located within the Zadar Naval Shipyard. Last year four large vessels for tuna fishing were reportedly constructed at the Shipyard. At the present time, the following construction projects are allegedly in progress at the Zadar Naval Shipyard:

- a. An unspecified number of wooden vessels for the Yugoslav Navy, on which approximately 500 persons are engaged;
- b. Five ships of the KOCA type have reportedly already been launched and are moored in the Shipyard awaiting installation of engines and fittings. In three of these vessels the command bridge was situated toward the stern and in the remaining two, the command bridge was located near the prow; and
- c. Four more ships of the KOCA type are almost ready for launching. All nine of these ships are being constructed for the Yugoslav Navy and will purportedly be used simultaneously for mine laying and mine sweeping.

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1. Comment: [ ] the headquarters of an unspecified marine infantry division is at Zadar. Another agency reported the headquarters of an artillery unit of the 3 Regiment (at Rijeka) of an unidentified Marine Artillery Division to be at Zadar.

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2. Comment: [ ] reported an unspecified company of the 4 Battalion (headquarters at Zadar), 6 Regiment of an unidentified marine infantry division to be stationed on Uljan (Ugljan) Island.

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3. Comment: [ ] a small garrison under the command of an unidentified army captain is located at the base of the wooden pier on Molat Island.

4. Comment: These Koca vessels may possibly be identical with a group of small, wooden-hulled, previously unknown type of minesweepers. [ ] reported to be moored in pairs along the southwest side of Zadar Harbor during July 1951 [ ]

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- On two different occasions during July 1951, military commissions were observed in the stated area. Construction of additional fortifications is reportedly planned.

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Madalina

3. The headquarters of the Central Adriatic Naval Command (Sibenik) is reported to be in the Kulina Building in the Madalina zone.<sup>3</sup> At the beginning of August 1951, the following naval vessels were reportedly observed in the Port of Madalina:

- a. Torpedo boats [redacted]
- b. Some ten PT boats [redacted]
- c. Three unidentified tugs; and
- d. Several unidentified motor boats equipped with machine guns and searchlights.

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4. The Military-Naval Arsenal at Madalina<sup>4</sup> (Rojni Remontni Zavod) where naval vessels are repaired and individual parts for ships are constructed, reportedly employs some 1,000 workers. A school for civilian apprentices and a school for military apprentices (the latter having a larger number of students) are located at the Arsenal. The Arsenal has a new floating dry dock reported to have been constructed by the 3 May Shipyard at Rijeka. Yugoslav Navy vessels are allegedly undergoing repairs at the Military Arsenal at present.

Zadar

5. The Naval Institute at Zadar reportedly initiated its activities in 1949. The staff of the Naval Institute comprises the following individuals:
- a. Director: Captain Niksa Andrijasevic;
  - b. Assistant Director: Ljubo Vukasovic; and
  - c. Five unidentified instructors.

The duration of the course at the Institute is four years. At the present time 52 persons are reported to be enrolled at the Institute and assigned to different classes. Upon completion of their course at the Institute, the students are designated captains of small naval vessels. The Naval Institute at Zadar has for its own use a vessel denominated as MB-Losinj, which has a displacement of approximately 250 tons.

6. The following Marine Infantry vessels were reportedly observed in the Port of Zadar during August 1951:
- a. Two vessels with an approximate displacement of 25 to 30 tons, of wooden construction [redacted]
  - b. PT boats [redacted] are reported to be permanently assigned to the Port of Zadar; and
  - c. Two motor boats equipped with machine guns and searchlights, which are reportedly permanently assigned to this Port.

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2. [Redacted] Comment: [Redacted]

[Redacted] the 2 Marine  
Infantry headquarters is in Sibenik; [Redacted] the 1 and 2  
Battalions of the 4 Marine Infantry Regiment (Division headquarters  
in Zadar) to be at Sibenik; [Redacted] both report  
the 2 Battalion of a Naval KNOJ Regiment of the 27 Division to be  
in Sibenik.

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3. [Redacted] Comment: [Redacted]

[Redacted] the headquarters of the Central Adriatic  
Naval Command is at Sibenik.

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